

Celebration of Life
for
Missionary Dorothy Lou Hunt



Sunrise:
February 11, 1927

Sunset:
April 25, 1994

"Gospel Song Bird Of The West"

Monday, May 2, 1994
11:00 a.m.

Perry Temple Church Of God In Christ
3443 Market Street
Oakland, California
Pastor Philip Carter

Eulogized by:
Pastor, Dr. L. W. Keeton
Wagoner Memorial Church Of God In Christ

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"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

Missionary Dorothy Hunt, a long time resident of Oakland, California, departed this life on Monday, April 25, 1994.

She was the daughter of the late Ms. Lula Hunt, born on February 11, 1927, in Maud, Texas. She received her education from Mt. Pleasant Independent School District and from Gibones High School in Paris, Texas.

She was a longtime employee of the U.S. Government as a Supervisor at the U.S. Postal Service.

She came to California in 1944. She said, "The Lord sent me here to sing." She didn't want to sing for the world, and California afforded her greater opportunities to sing for Jesus.

The Lord blessed her in her singing. She was invited to go to many different places. The late Mother Garrett would travel with her as a spiritual guide, always encouraging her in the Lord.

Missionary Hunt was saved, sanctified, and received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost under the ministry of the late Elder and Mother Garrett in Vallejo, California. She loved God. She fasted and prayed, and was a tithe payer from her heart.

Missionary Hunt was highly respected and Nationally recognized in the Church as an anointed singer and recording artist. Known as "*The Song Bird of the West*" and also as "*The Golden Voice of the West*", she was requested all over the National Church to lend her melodious voice to service for the Lord in song.

She received numerous honors, awards, trophies and plaques from Civic, Social and Religious organizations. But not only in singing, but for her service and leadership abilities as well.

She served in the Church of God in Christ under the following pastors: Bishop J.E. Bouldware and the late Bishop E.E. Hamilton. She also served at the Greater Emanuel COGIC under the Late Bishop A.T. Wagoner, from 1955 until his demise in 1974. The church was then renamed "Wagoner Memorial" in honor and memory of Bishop Wagoner, and thus, served under Elder George Robinson.

She was a very active church worker and held many positions in the church. In the past few years, although she was wheelchair bound, she never let that stop her. She served Wagoner Memorial COGIC faithfully under the leadership of Dr. L.W. Keeton since 1982.

Even during Missionary Hunt's illness, she was a woman of great faith -- it was that faith that sustained her throughout her lengthy illness, disability and demise.

She was preceded in death by her infant brother, David, and stepsister, Bertha.

A loving and devoted mother, preceded her in death March 10, 1952. She leaves to cherish her memory, one son, Mr. Bobby Forte of Oakland, California, two grandsons, Mr. Bobby Forte, Jr. (whom she lovingly called "Little Bobby") and Juan Forte; one granddaughter, Cassandra Forte; three aunts, Mrs. Arnell Younger, of Dallas, Texas, Mrs. R.V. Wilson, and Mrs. Lenell Okra of Texas; one uncle, Mr. Marvin Williams, of Texas; Loving and longtime friends, Mrs. Iltha Sowell and Mrs. Lavada Williams-Gutierrez, both of Oakland, California; a host of relatives, her Wagoner Memorial Church family and friends. Four great grandchildren, Nakey, Isiah, Chaunita and Nathema. Long time friends, Mr. and Mrs. Herman and Margaret Dixon.

* * Even so, come Lord Jesus. * *

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Order of Service

Mistress of Ceremony Missionary Laura Lester, Church Mother
of Wagoner Memorial Church of God in Christ

Master of Ceremony Superintendent James Rice
Central District California North West Jurisdiction

Dorothy Hunt Sings From her Album
Organ Prelude Brother Ralph Lewis
Processional
Invocation Pastor P. Carter
Old Testament Scripture Superintendent A. Hines
New Testament Scripture Pastor L. Jackson
Selection

Expressions

(As a Sister in the Lord) Mother Mary Ann Wright
(As Personal Friends) Mrs. Iltha Sowell
(As a Missionary) Missionary Irene Alexander-Smith
Selection
Special Remarks From Friends (2 Minutes each please)
Remarks Missionary Ruth Langston, An Assistant
Supervisor of North Central Jurisdiction

Acknowledgments and Introduction of Representative
of California North West Jurisdiction Women's Department District Missionary F. N. Wagoner
Mother Louise Perrodin, Assistant Supervisor

Condolences and Cards Missionary Betty Jones

Resolutions

(Wagoner Memorial) Mrs. Ruth Rugeley, Church Secretary
(California N.W. State Jurisdiction) Missionary Dorothy Herron, Women's State Secretary
Obituary (Please read in silence)
A Special Friend Mrs. Lavada Williams-Gutierrez
Sermonic Hymn Ms. Clarice Mullins
Eulogy Dr. L. W. Keeton, Pastor of
Wagoner Memorial Church of God in Christ

Viewing
Recessional

Interment

Sunset View Cemetery
El Cerrito, California



Pallbearers

Deacon Ocie Chatman
Deacon Roland Coulter
Deacon Donald Keeton
Brother Taylor
Brother Jones
Tom Turner

Honorary Pallbearers

Mother Martha Hall - Captain
Mrs. Iletha Sowell
Ms. Ester Turner
Mrs. Corean Johnson
Mrs. Gwen McClure
Mrs. Emma Burns

The Giver

*He gave me His shoulder, When I wanted to cry
He gave me hope, When I wanted to die*

*He gave me a friend, When I was alone
He sent me his love, And gave me a home*

*He gave me understanding, When I was in need
I needed to grow, He planted a seed*

*He gave me peace, When I was in doubt
I was ready to drown, But he pulled me out*

*I thought he gave all, One man could give
But then He gave His life, So through Him I could live*

*His final gift of love, Was done for you and me
He gave us all He had, When they nailed Him to a tree*

Acknowledgment

Many thanks and heartfelt gratitude to all who have graciously undergirded and made this time of bereavement easier, we shall never forget your kindness and love

The Bereaved Family

Arrangements Entrusted to
FOUCHE'S HUDSON FUNERAL HOME
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